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Statement from President Robert Kelley

This weekend a UND football player was arrested for attacking and injuring fellow students and a staff member. Our thoughts go out to those who were injured, and also to their families and friends.

This is a very serious matter, so I want to be very clear: the University of North Dakota will have ZERO TOLERANCE for violent behavior and for any individual who engages in violent behavior. UND Police arrested the perpetrator and our Student and Outreach Services folks are doing everything possible for the injured students and staff member. UND Athletics acted swiftly in suspending the student from the football team.

We will not get out ahead of due process, but I want to make it clear that in addition to whatever penalties are applied by the court of law, the student faces sanctions through UND's judicial process. We want to send a strong message that we will NOT tolerate violence on our campus and that this behavior is antithetical to the values of the University of North Dakota.

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Nominations, applications sought for vice president for finance and operations

The University of North Dakota invites applications and nominations for the position of Vice President for Finance and Operations. Reporting directly to the President, the Vice President for Finance and Operations serves as the chief financial officer of the University and helps develop policy and institutional priorities as a member of the President's cabinet. The vice president is expected to be an experienced and entrepreneurial

leader who is visionary and committed to fostering fiscal and operational excellence and external partnerships.

Selection criteria and more detailed information are available at www.und.edu/vpfosearch. Inquiries about the position can be made to Robert H. Boyd, chair of the search committee, at 777-2724 or at robertboyd@mail.und.edu.

Screening of applicants will begin March 4, 2009, and will continue until the position is filled. Interested parties should send a letter of application addressing their qualifications, a resume or vita, and the names, addresses and telephone numbers of three professional references to: Office of Human Resources, 264 Centennial Dr., Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Information can also be sent to humanresources@mail.und.edu and inquiries about the application process can be made at (701) 777-4361.

UND is an equal opportunity/affirmative action institution.

-- Jan Orvik, Writer/Editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621

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Campuswide testing of Notifind System set for Wednesday, Feb. 4

It is necessary for UND to conduct a test of its emergency notification systems.

Campus Safety and Security is working with the Facilities Communication Center, Telecommunications, and University Relations to conduct these tests Wednesday, Feb. 4.

Specifically, the NotiFind system will be used to send test voice notification via campus phone and home phone. A text message will be sent to the work cell phone and/or home cell phone (if a phone number was listed for receiving text messaging). Additionally, a campuswide e-mail will be sent from University Relations alerting the emergency test.

System testing is scheduled to begin shortly after 1 p.m., with prior notice being sent out campuswide.

During the upcoming test of the NotiFind system, the UND campus may experience a period of time where long distance calls cannot be received. The NotiFind system will potentially use all available incoming long distance trunks (lines) to the UND campus for notifying people on campus. Someone attempting to place a long distance call to UND during this time will either hear a busy signal or a message stating that all circuits are busy.

Please do not call the Facilities 24 hour communications center, Central Dispatch (911), or University Relations with questions about the test. Rather, please e-mail any questions you have to

notifind@mail.und.edu

If you have not already verified your notification information, please do so now in order to receive important emergency alerts from UND by visiting the following Web sites. You may also confirm or change any information currently listed.

For UND Students:

Log on to your CampusConnection using your student ID number and select "Emergency Notification Update." Enter the phone number and e-mail address where you can be reached most quickly in the event of an emergency. If you wish to receive text messaging, enter your cell phone number as your phone number and you will receive both text messages and telephone calls to that cell number.

Be sure to select "Submit Changes" at the bottom of the screen authorizing the selections made.

For UND faculty and staff:

Employees of the University are required (by the NDUS) to verify their emergency notification information through the Campus Safety and Security website,

www.safety.und.edu/NotiFind

This includes all full-time, part-time, and student employees. Although the information may be correct, employees still need to review the information in its entirety and press SAVE. By verifying your notification information and pressing the "SAVE" button, you will complete the requirement requested by NDUS.

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Study Abroad Fair is Feb. 4

The Study Abroad Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 4, in the Loading Dock, Memorial Union.

-- Jane Sykes Wilson , Education Abroad Advisor , Office of International Programs ,
janesykeswilson@mail.und.edu , 701-777-4756

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Theology for Lunch series begins Feb. 4

Join the Campus Ministry Association, representing Christus Rex, Newman Center, United Campus Ministry, and Wittenberg Lutheran Chapel, for the Spring 2009 Theology for Lunch series.

"Who is Jesus?"

* Feb. 4: "Jesus: A Historical Perspective" presented by William Caraher, assistant professor of history

* Feb. 11: "Jesus: A Christological Perspective" presented by Troy Troftgruben, pastor at Calvary Lutheran Church, Grand Forks

* Feb. 18: "Jesus: An Enlightened Perspective" presented by Gretchen Graf, pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Grand Forks

Each presentation will take place at noon at the Newman Center. A light lunch will be served, so bring your appetite, a friend, and an interest in exploring Jesus from various perspectives.

-- Lisa Burger, Director, Student Success Center, lisaburger@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-4706

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Prairie Meets Mediterranean

Is one better than the other? Come join your favorite dietitian Karina Wittman for an evening of fun, food, and heart healthy information, which will follow the tasting of nutritious food from the Prairie to the Mediterranean. You will get to interact with Karina while she highlights the benefits of healthful food and how to combine our prairie style of eating with the health benefits of the Mediterranean style. It may take a little bit of a compromise, but it is doable. Come with an appetite for food and knowledge.

Feb. 4 - 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Feb. 10 - 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Wellness Center - Culinary Corner

Class size is limited to 20 participants, so sign up early!

-- Andrew Miller, Coordinator of Work Well, Wellness Center , andrewmiller@mail.und.edu, 777-0210

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Create your own destiny by attending technology feedback session

All UND faculty, staff, and students are invited to the call for final feedback on Campus Technology Priorities. Throughout the needs assessment process, we have relied on valuable input from all segments of the campus community. As we finalize the outcomes, we are asking for your input once again.

Please attend the final open forum feedback session for priority outcomes Wednesday, Feb. 11, from 10 a.m. to noon in the River Valley Room. You will be asked to rate each outcome on its importance and achievability. If you are unable to attend the forum, please participate by completing the online survey available Feb. 4-11 at <http://conted.und.edu/surveydirects/tech.html> .

Once you have helped complete this needs assessment phase, we will begin to establish the necessary technology strategic-plan goals, tactical initiatives, and outcome measures.

-- Michael Lefever, Office of the CIO, CIO, michaelllefever@mail.und.edu, 777-2030

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Jim Dow to give photography lecture at Museum

On Thursday, Feb. 5, Jim Dow will give the Elaine McKenzie Memorial Lecture at the North Dakota Museum of Art. Dow's presentation will begin at 7 p.m., followed by a book signing. Dow will not lecture the audience directly, but rather invite them to participate, much like a National Endowment of Arts selection panel. This event is free and open to the public.

When describing his teaching methods at Tufts University or the Boston Museum School, Dow says, "At the end of each year in my photo history course, I do a mock NEA-style judging of 30 different photographic artists whose work has either been shown or published in the past year. I show eight images by each artist without comment and the group votes in the NEA style ("1" if you like it, "2" if you are neutral, "3" if you don't like it). We then tabulate the results and go through the roster in the order that they voted, commenting on and discussing each individual's work. What inevitably happens is that there are fascinating instances of misrepresentation..."

Dow goes on to say, "What I find fascinating is that it works across audiences, that is in schools, workshops, with general art lovers. The same things tend to happen, so it is illuminating about human nature as well as art. I preface it by discussing the method, its history, etc. and finish by proposing that we do a version of this all the time in our own lives, ex. racial profiling, comparison shopping, looking at medical slides for cancer patterns, etc. This brings it all closer to home."

The Elaine McKenzie Memorial Lecture is an annual Museum event that honors Elaine McKenzie who was a founding staff member of the Museum, and, in the words of the Museum Director, Laurel Reuter, ". . . one of the world's loveliest women, a person with an educated heart." Elaine Lau McKenzie was from Hawaii, where she received a degree in literature from the University of Hawaii. Family and friends have established an Elaine McKenzie Memorial Endowment within the North Dakota Museum of Art Foundation to fund the Lecture series. Past lectures include Marly Kaul of Bemidji, Minn., and notable Native American artist Edgar Heap of Birds of Oklahoma. Most recently, Betty Monkman, former White House curator, presented her lecture titled "40 Years of Art at the White House: From Jacqueline Kennedy to Laura Bush."

Jim Dow earned a B.F.A. and M.F.A. in graphic design and photography from the Rhode Island School of Design in 1965 and 1968. An early influence was Walker Evans's seminal book "American Photographs" (1938). Dow has taught photography at Harvard, Tufts University and the School of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, and his

work has been widely exhibited. Among his series is "Corner Shops of Britain" (1995), which features facades of small family-run businesses: vitrine-like shop windows showcase goods from candy jars to jellied eels. Another series, "Time Passing" (1984-2004), captures North Dakota "folk art" such as rural road signage, hand-painted billboards, and ornate gravestones. In 2004 the Museum published a book of Dow's work titled, "Marking the Land: Jim Dow in North Dakota." Of the 300-plus photographs Dow took in North Dakota from 1981 to the present, the Museum selected nearly 60 to travel throughout the state as part of its Rural Arts Initiative.

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Professor emeritus to present lecture Feb. 5 on Theodore Roosevelt

"Theodore Roosevelt: Road to the White House," a public program by Jerome Tweton, Chester Fritz Distinguished Professor of History Emeritus, will be presented at 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 5, in the Lecture Bowl, Memorial Union.

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UND law students offer free tax return filing service to qualified individuals

University of North Dakota law students will prepare and electronically file income tax returns, free of charge, for individuals who qualify through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

VITA is a free service that provides free e-file for participants filing federal and state tax returns. Preparers are certified by the IRS to complete tax returns for individuals and families who made less than \$42,000 in 2008. The School of Law's Public Interest Law Student Association (PILSA) is sponsoring the effort that will run through April 7.

Law students will prepare tax returns Tuesdays, Thursdays and select Saturdays. The session schedule and locations are listed below.

Grand Forks sessions:
Through March 12 and March 24 to April 7 each Tuesday and Thursday, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the University Apartment Community Center, 525 Stanford Rd.

Feb, 7, 21, 28, March 7, 28, and April 4, Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
at the Grand Forks Public Library, 2110 Library Circle.

Individuals interested in participating must bring:

- * Social Security Card
- * All W-2, 1098, 1099 Forms
- * Proof of Identity
- * banking information for direct deposit of refunds
- * Estimated tax payments made
- * Amounts of other income
- * 2007 tax return if available
- * For married couples filing jointly, both people must be present

Limitations do apply, so for complicated tax returns PILSA advises people to consult a paid tax professional. For additional information or questions, contact PILSA via e-mail at vitaund@gmail.com.

PILSA is a student organization at the University of North Dakota School of Law. The organization is committed to using the law to create social change and increasing access to justice for segments of the population that are

underrepresented in the community. -- School of Law.

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Work Well offers free grocery store tours

Do you ever feel confused in a grocery store? According to the American Dietetic Association, an average neighborhood grocery store has an inventory of more than 30,000 items, which means a lot of choices and a lot of information to process when you shop.

Look no further. Work Well is teaming up with the Department of Nutrition and Dietetics to offer you a free grocery tour.

- * Thursday, Feb. 5, at 4:30 p.m., Hugo's, 1315 Columbia Road
- * Thursday, Feb. 5, at 12:15 p.m., Super One Foods (40 minutes)
- * Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m., Wal-Mart Super Center Grocery Store
- * Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m., Super Target Grocery Store

To sign up, e-mail workwell@mail.und.edu or call 777-0210; group size is limited.

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Doctoral examination set for Relindis Y. Mawo

The final examination for Relindis Y. Mawo, a candidate for the Ph.D. degree with a major in chemistry, is set for noon Friday, Feb. 6, in 138 Abbott Hall. The dissertation title is "Synthesis and Characterization of Optically Active Oxazoline-Based Endo and Exo Cyclopalladated Complexes." Irina Smoliakova (chemistry) is the committee chair. The public is invited to attend.

-- Dr. Joseph Benoit, Dean, The Graduate School, joseph.benoit@und.edu, 777-4005

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IRB meeting set for Feb. 6

The Institutional Review Board will meet at 3 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, in 305 Twamley Hall to consider all research proposals submitted to the IRB office before Jan. 27.

Clinical medical projects must be reviewed by the Clinical Medical Subcommittee before being brought to the full board. Proposals for these projects were due in the Institutional Review Board office Jan. 20.

Minutes from the meeting will be available in the IRB office approximately one week after the meeting.
-- Kathy Smart, Ed.D., Chair, Institutional Review Board, janetelshaug@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4279

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Physics department colloquium is Feb. 6

Following a brief introduction to the physics of graphene, I will present several more specialized topics related to the role of correlations. The unconventional features arising from electron-electron interactions will be discussed first, and then I will describe the problem of Coulomb impurity in graphene. Finally I will concentrate on strong correlation physics in the context of the Anderson Impurity problem for graphene, and the possibility of magnetic moment formation and magnetic phases.

The colloquium is at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, in 211 Witmer Hall. Coffee and cookies will be served at 3:30 p.m. in 315 Witmer Hall.

-- Dr. Valeri Kotov, *Exploring the New Physics of Graphene*, Physics Department Witmer Hall Room 211, connie_cicha@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-2911

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Art Students Collective holds juried student show

The University of North Dakota Art Students Collective tournARTment 2009, Juried Student Art Show will be on display at the Col. Eugene E. Myers Art Gallery, Hughes Fine Arts Center, through Feb. 12.

UND's Art Student Collective is an organization that sponsors a yearly art competition. This year ASC invited Professor Steve Arbury of Radford University in Virginia to serve as juror for the annual exhibition. The exhibition will include between 30 to 40 works and exhibition awards will provided. The awards are sponsored by local business organizations, as well as individual supporters. Among this year's sponsors are Norby's Work Perks, Paradiso Mexican Restaurant, The Blue Moose Bar & Grill, Patrick Luber and Jennifer Nelson, and Leo Wen-Shu Jones, among others.

For more information, please call the Department of Art and Design at 777-2257.

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School of Medicine and Health Sciences hosts health fair

Community members are invited to participate in free health screenings for blood pressure and blood sugar. Educational information material will also be available. The health fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Grand Forks Wal-Mart Saturday, Feb. 7, and is open to the public free of charge. Organizers of the event are students from the class of 2011. For more information, please call Tyler Brolin (701-361-5594) or Erik Hokenstad (701-226-5295).

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Museum Benefit Dinner, Art Auction set for Feb. 7

The 18th annual North Dakota Museum of Art Gala Benefit Dinner and Silent Art Auction is set for Saturday, Feb. 7, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Join us for a White Nights Celebration among family, friends, and supporters of the North Dakota Museum of Art. We want to emphasize the importance of keeping the lights bright at the Museum so we've moved White Nights from St. Petersburg, where the sun doesn't set in summer, to Grand Forks, where winter nights are dazzling.

The Benefit Dinner, which is both a prominent social event and successful fundraiser for the Museum, will be held in the elegant galleries of the North Dakota Museum of Art. Dress is black tie optional, and valet service is provided. Reservations are \$95 per person. The tables seat eight and arrangements can be made for parties to be seated together.

This year's honorary chairs are Dr. Robert and Marcia Kelley. Mike Jacobs and Suezette Bieri, along with Al Boucher and Thomasine Heitkamp, are co-chairing the planning committee. A dedicated volunteer committee, along with numerous sponsors, make this evening possible. Once again, this year's underwriting sponsor is Merrill Lynch. In addition, private and corporate sponsors are committed to supporting the Benefit Dinner again this year.

As with each of the previous benefits, a silent art auction will be held throughout the evening. Matthew Wallace, of the North Dakota Museum of Art, curated this year's Silent Art Auction. This year over 50 pieces from regional, national, and international artists are for sale. The Auction includes work by emerging artists as well as contemporary artisans. The pieces will be circulated throughout the dinner by walking easels. All artists' reserve bids begin at \$100.

This year's auction includes work by Helge Ederstrom, Mariah Masilko, Melanie Rocan, Punchgut, Sarah Hultin, Vivienne Morgan, William Harbort, Walter Piehl, Kathryn Lipke, Adam Kemp, Guillermo Guardia, Lena McGrath

Welker, Morgan Owens, Daniel Sharbono, Ryan Frates, Jeff Amann, and many others. Several artists have donated all proceeds from the sale of their work to the Museum, as they have in the past. The artwork will be on display in Museum’s mezzanine gallery through the night of the auction. It is also available online at ndmoa.com.

A major fundraising component for the auction will be a raffle for a sculpture by Guillermo Guardia. Raffle tickets are now available at the Museum at \$25 per ticket. The raffle drawing will be held at the end of the evening.

This year’s meal will follow the theme of the White Nights celebration with a distinct Russian flavor. Vegetarian meals will be provided with prior request. Fine wines chosen by wine connoisseur Michael McCullough accompany the meal. Jan Heitmann of All Seasons and artist Adam Kemp will design the centerpieces at each of the tables and also special gallery decorations.

Proceeds from dinner reservations, and art and raffle sales are used for programming and exhibitions at the North Dakota Museum of Art. Exhibitions would not be possible without funds collected at this and other fundraising events, and generous contributions from sponsors – both corporate and individual.

For information about making a reservation or volunteering, call 777-4195.

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Book study begins Feb. 8 on "The Shack"

The community of Christus Rex invites everyone to a book study on "The Shack" by William Paul Young. The three-week conversation begins Feb. 8 at 7 p.m., and continues Feb. 22 and March 1 at the Christus Rex Lounge. Join us as we explore issues related to grief, the power of forgiveness, religious stereotyping, God's presence in our daily lives, and much more. Please stop by Christus Rex for a copy or call 775-5581.

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Entrepreneur Forum features entrepreneur Michael Michalowicz

The Center for Innovation is featuring Michael Michalowicz, author of The Toilet Paper Entrepreneur and founder of Obsidian Launch, as the February speaker for the Entrepreneur Forum series. The Entrepreneur Forum will be held at 4:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 9, in Room 5, Gamble Hall. A pay parking lot is available across University Avenue.

Founder of three multimillion-dollar companies, Michalowicz will share his “get real” approach to business and answer questions from the audience. One of his current companies, Obsidian Launch, partners with first-time entrepreneurs to help them build their ideas into industry leaders.

Michalowicz started his first business at the age of 24. Having limited resources and no experience, he systematically grew a multimillion-dollar technology business, sleeping in conference rooms to avoid hotel costs. Following the sale of his first company, he launched a new business venture the very next day. Within three years Michalowicz sold it to a Fortune 500. His newest creation, Obsidian Launch, fosters startup businesses with Mike’s “get rich right” approach. www.obsidianlaunch.com

He graduated from Inc. and MIT’s 'Birthing of Giants' Entrepreneurial Program and several times was named Young Entrepreneur of the Year. He is a recurring guest on entrepreneurship on CNBC's 'The Big Idea' with Donny Deutsch, and he has been featured on National Public Radio (NPR),and in The New York Times, Inc. magazine, SmartCEO Magazine and others. He has guest lectured for entrepreneurial groups at Babson, Boston College, Columbia, Harvard, Penn State, and now the University of North Dakota.

The Entrepreneur Forum is a periodic gathering of entrepreneurs and business people who share experiences, strategies, and success stories. The event is sponsored by the Center for Innovation and is open to the public. One hundred copies of Michalowicz's book, "The Toilet Paper Entrepreneur," will be given away to attendees. Further information is available at www.toiletpaperentrepreneur.com
-- John Plesuk, Intern, Center For Innovation, john@innovators.net, 701.777.2801

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Spring Career Fair is Feb. 10

Career Services will hold their annual Spring Career Fair from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 10, in the Hyslop gym. There will be a wide variety of recruiters from all over the Midwest. Please be sure to spread the word!
-- Amanda Schmaltz, Career Services Events Coordinator, Career Services, amanda.schmaltz@und.nodak.edu, 777-4100

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Kelley Crews presents ESSP spring colloquium

Kelley Crews, associate professor of geography and the environment at the University of Texas in Austin, will present "Land Cover/Land Use Change in Tropical Systems: The Human Dimensions" at 2:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13, in Room 210, Clifford Hall Auditorium. Refreshments will be served a half-hour before the presentation.

Dr. Crews received her Ph.D. in geography from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 2000, and also holds degrees in marine science and public policy. She founded and directs the new University of Texas Geographic Information Science Center.

Her thematic research interests include remote sensing, population-environment interactions, landscape ecology, and policy analysis. Geographically, her work focuses on tropical and subtropical forest/savanna/wetland ecotones in the western Amazon, the Okavango Delta of Botswana, and northeast Thailand.

The presentation is part of the UND Earth System Science and Policy Spring 2009 Colloquium Series. For more information contact Michael Hill at 777-6071, or hillmj@aero.und.edu.
-- Kathy Ebertowski, Admin. Secretary, Center for People & the Environment, ebertowski@aero.und.edu, 701-777-2490

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OID On Teaching seminar on applying for summer funding

The next On Teaching Seminar, which takes place Tuesday, Feb. 10, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union, is for those interested in applying for a Summer Instructional Development Professorship (SIDP). SIDPs provide a salary stipend of \$3,000 and are designed to allow faculty to work full time on instructional development for four weeks during the summer. The Professorships support work that goes beyond normal course development and has the potential to improve the quality of teaching at UND. Summer Instructional Development Professorship proposals are due by noon March 2, and are reviewed by the Faculty Instructional Development Committee (FIDC). More information is available at the OID Web site (http://www.und.edu/dept/oid/funding_sidp.htm)

This year SIPD proposals that focus on engaged learning in the classroom and pedagogies of student engagement will be given preference. Many studies show that student engagement correlates strongly with learning. The more deeply students are involved with the subject matter, the teacher, and with their fellow

students, the more likely they are to achieve at higher levels. Good practice in this regard encourages active learning, student-faculty contact, and cooperation among students, and there are strategies of engagement that fit every class and every learning outcome. This seminar is designed to help people develop their ideas around such engagement strategies and get feedback on potential SIDP projects. Participants in the Creating Significant Learning Through Integrated Course Design Workshop (Feb. 5) may find this seminar a helpful step towards getting support for summer work on their course design project.

To register and reserve a lunch, please call Jana Hollands at 777-4998 or e-mail jana_hollands@und.nodak.edu by Feb. 6 at noon.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4233

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Global Visions film series lists spring film roster

The Global Visions Film Series continues its sixth year at UND this spring, further exploring the themes of human rights, human dignity, and cultural variation. The Global Vision Film Series (GVFS) is a forum that promotes diversity in North Dakota through screening award-winning national and international films. The GVFS is sponsored by the students of the Anthropology Club in the Department of Anthropology, and is partially funded by the Multicultural Awareness Committee. Their goal is to provide the University and the Grand Forks community with the opportunity to experience films of exceptional quality from around the world, providing a broader understanding of and appreciation for the breadth, variety, and commonality of the human family. Many faculty across disciplines assign GV films as extra credit assignments for students.

Seven foreign films will be screened this spring. All films begin at 7 p.m. on alternating Tuesdays between Feb. 10 and May 5.

The series begins with the award-winning film, "The Golden Door," Tuesday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m. Enhanced by the expressive cinematography of Agnes Godard (Beau Travail), "Golden Door" is a visually striking tone poem that follows the journey of a peasant family from their primitive home in Sicily to Ellis Island in New York at the turn of the century. It is a surreal, enigmatic, often strange, but ultimately deeply rewarding experience. "The Golden Door" is a cinematic artist's expressive rendering of what the immigration process may have been like for our parents and grandparents, and portrays the looks on the faces of the immigrants depicted in photographs displayed at Ellis Island as they arrived in the United States.

Additional films will be screened on the following dates:

- Feb. 24, "The Diving Bell and the Butterfly," 2007 (France)
- March 10, "Innocent Voices," 2007 (El Salvador)
- March 31, "City of Men," 2007 (Brazil)
- April 14, "The Kite Runner," 2007 (Afghanistan)
- April 21, "Matt Sienkiewicz – Live From Bethlehem," 2008 (Israel -documentary)
- May 5, "Times of Harvey Milk," 2008 (USA)

All films are shown in the Lecture Bowl, second floor, Memorial Union. The series is free and open to the public. A suggested donation of one dollar is encouraged, but not required. For further information, call 777-4718.

-- Marcia Mikulak, Assistant Professor, Anthropology, marcia.mikulak@und.nodak.edu, 777-4718

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What's happening in Culinary Corner Feb. 9-14

Here is what is coming up in the Culinary Corner for the week of Feb. 9-14:

Cheap, Fast and Healthy

Monday, 5:30 p.m.

Are you on a hectic schedule and tight budget? Are you sick of going through the drive-thru and ordering unhealthy food just because it's convenient? Come join us on Monday nights for Cheap, Fast, and Healthy!

Each 30-minute session will feature tips on shopping for fresh and healthy ingredients, easy-to-prepare recipes, and cost comparisons. Class participants will see the recipe being prepared, enjoy a sample, and leave with a recipe card and nutrition information to make the meal themselves. The class is free with no need to pre-register; just show up.

Start Right Breakfast

Tuesday and Wednesday, 7:15 a.m.

Who said Wheaties is the only breakfast of champions? Come join us bright and early in the Culinary Corner and start your day off right! Learn healthy breakfast options that are easy, delicious, and made for champions. Breakfast will be offered Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 7:15 a.m. The cost is \$5 per person.

Sweet Treats

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 6 p.m.

Sweet Treats, developed by recent UND graduate and avid baker Laura Vein, is a hands-on class dedicated primarily to baking and deserts. Each class features a different theme such as cupcakes, crepes, brownies, comfort food, cheesecake, etc. Classes are designed to show that not all deserts are unhealthy. Some baking experience is preferred, but the class can appeal to most levels of expertise. The cost is \$15; the class is limited to the first seven people registered.

To register: www.wellness.und.edu, click on Nutrition and Culinary Corner.

Prairie Meets Mediterranean

Tuesday, Feb. 10, 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Is one better than the other? Come join your favorite dietitian Karina Wittmann for an evening of fun, food, and heart-healthy information, which will follow the tasting of nutritious food from the Prairie to the Mediterranean. You will interact with Karina while she highlights the benefits of healthful food and how to combine our prairie style of eating with the health benefits of the Mediterranean style. It may take a little bit of a compromise, but it is doable. Come with an appetite for food and knowledge. Class size is limited to 20 participants, so sign up early!

Faculty and staff: Register <http://u2.und.edu/sessions/>

Students: register www.wellness.und.edu, click on Nutrition and Culinary Corner

Movie Night

Feb. 13, 6 to 9 p.m.

Tired of the typical romantic Friday night? Join us in the Culinary Corner for some fun and fear. Learn how to make a delicious meal that will scare you and join us for a movie fitting for Friday the 13th. Sign up if you dare. The cost is \$5 per person.

Pre-register for the class at www.wellness.und.edu, click on Nutrition then Culinary Corner.

Please pre-register by noon the day before each class. Class cancellations must be made at least 24 hours in advance for full refund option.

For more information, please contact Karina Wittmann at karinawittmann@mail.und.edu
-- Karina Wittmann, Coordinator of Nutrition Services, Wellness Center, karinawittmann@mail.und.edu, 701
777 0769

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Sweet Treats: Valentine Edition is Feb. 11

Learn to make Valentine's Day-inspired desserts, truly sweet treats!

Valentine's Day doesn't have to be only about chocolate. In this hands-on class, both fruit desserts, such as mini fruit pies, and chocolate desserts, such as chocolate mousse parfaits, and hot cocoa with festive marshmallows, may be included. Participants will assist in baking, sampling some delicious desserts in class, and take home others to enjoy later!

Wednesday, Feb. 11, 6 to 8 p.m. at the Culinary Corner in the UND Wellness Center. The cost is \$15; class is limited to the first seven people registered.

To register: www.wellness.und.edu, click on Nutrition and Culinary Corner.

-- Karina Wittmann, Coordinator of Nutrition Services, Wellness Center, karinawittmann@mail.und.edu, 701-
777-0769

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University Within the University (U2) lists new classes

University Within the University (U2) lists the following new classes.

Budgets Overview Inquiry

Feb. 11, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., Gamble Hall, Lanterman Center, Room 9

Prerequisite: PeopleSoft user ID and password for Finance Module, a local fund number, and/or an appropriated fund number. This training provides the tools necessary to navigate through PeopleSoft to find your department's budget and cash balance, utilize PeopleSoft to track your department's budget, cash, revenue, and expenditures, and complete a budget journal. The session also includes hands-on practice activities.

Presenter: Shannon Smidt.

Internet Safety for Kids: A Parent's Guide

Feb. 12, 9 to 11:30 a.m., 361 Upson II

The Internet can help kids learn, communicate, and socialize, but it also exposes them to certain risks. This seminar will help parents learn how to protect their young children and teens and keep them safe online. Some of the topics include risks associated with popular Internet tools and social networking sites, how to filter objectionable Web content and use parental control software, cyberbullying and how to prevent it, how to educate children about Internet predators, and Web resources for parents to learn and then use to educate their children. Presenter: Brad Miller.

Employee Privacy and the Law

Feb. 12, 9 to 11 a.m., 305 Twamley Hall

How far can an employer go in making decisions on issues related to privacy in the workplace? Presenters: Desi Sporbert and Joy Johnson.

Employee Travel Policies and Procedures

Feb. 12, 10 to 11:30 a.m., Memorial Union, River Valley Room

Brush up on the procedures to follow for employee ticket authorizations, direct billing of airline tickets, and employee travel expense vouchers. Presenter: Bonnie Nerby.

Do You Have Gym-O-Phobia?

Feb. 12, noon to 12:45 p.m., Archives Coffee House

When someone says the word gym, what's the first image that pops into your head? It may seem scary, foreign, and expensive. That uncomfortable feeling may be stopping you from getting active and living a healthier lifestyle. Don't let it! If you have gym-o-phobia, come and join us in addressing this topic. Presenter: Emily Spicer.

Strength Training from Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota

Feb. 12, noon to 12:30 p.m. or Feb. 12, 12:45 to 1:15 p.m.

All sessions are held in the Memorial Union, River Valley Room.

Maybe your employees don't have access to a gym or don't have time to get there on a regular basis. When they participate in BCBSND's Strength Training Program, they receive a free resistance tube that they can use at home or easily throw in a suitcase when they are traveling. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, a combination of aerobic exercise-such as walking, swimming, or bicycling-with strength training can have a "profound impact" on your health. Milissa Van Eps, a Blue Cross Blue Shield member education consultant, will provide a long list of health benefits and will show your employees how they can work all of their muscle groups using this simple tube.

-- Patricia Young, U2 Coordinator, Continuing Education, patriciayoung@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-0720

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University Curriculum Committee to hear program termination

The University Curriculum Committee will meet at 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12, in 305 Twamley Hall to discuss the proposed request to terminate the BS Ed with combined major in elementary education and early childhood.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

-- Connie Borboa, Admissions and Records Officer, Office of the Registrar,
connieborboa@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-4852

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Physics department colloquium is Feb. 17

It has been almost a century since the discovery of superconductivity by Kamerlingh Onnes in 1911. At least four Nobel Prizes in physics have since been awarded to works on superconductivity. Yet superconductivity itself is still an active research field in many aspects. One of them is the investigation of superconductivity in low dimensions, interfaces and in presence of external influences. I shall begin by a brief introduction to the phenomena of superconductivity and then move on to discuss my own works, such as the critical velocity in low dimensional superconductors, the flux dependence of critical temperature in small superconducting rings, and the anomalous behavior of critical currents by an external magnetic field. I shall end by describing my ongoing effort of extending some of the above ideas into another very actively evolving research field, namely that of untracold atoms, and in particular the so-called BEC-to-BCS crossover phenomenon

The colloquium is at 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, in 211 Witmer Hall. Coffee and cookies will be served at 3:30 p.m. in 215 Witmer Hall.

-- Dr. Tzu-Chieh Wei, Superconductivity in presence of a constant flow, magnetic field and impurities, Physics Department Witmer Hall Room 211, connie_cicha@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-2911

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Robinson Lecture to explore imagery in sport and exercise

The librarians and staff of the Chester Fritz Library invite all members of the UND community to attend the 18th annual Elwyn B. Robinson Lecture from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17, in the East Asian Room, Chester Fritz

Library (fourth floor). Sandra Short will address “Using Imagery to Effect Self-Confidence and Performance in Sport and Exercise Settings.”

The women’s musical group, VIVO, will also perform, and a reception will follow Dr. Short’s presentation.

Dr. Short is a professor in the Department of Physical Education, Exercise Science, and Wellness, where she also holds an adjunct appointment in the Psychology Department. She is responsible for teaching undergraduate and graduate classes in sport psychology, sport sociology, and research methods. She is the recipient of several awards and scholarships, including the Franklin Henry Young Scientist Award, and was most recently recognized for Outstanding Achievement in Scholarship and Outstanding Achievement in Graduate Student Mentoring.

Dr. Short is one of the associate editors for The Sport Psychologist, the founding co-editor for the Journal of Imagery Research in Sport and Physical Activity (www.bepress.com/jirspa), and has been a guest reviewer for 20 different journals. She has co-authored a book called “Self-Efficacy in Sport,” and has more than 30 research publications, mostly focused on efficacy beliefs and imagery. Dr. Short has been the advisor to more than 30 master’s degree students, and has been a committee member for another 40 master’s and doctoral students. She earned her Ph.D. in the psychosocial aspects of sport and physical activity from Michigan State University (1998). Her other degrees include a master’s degree in kinesiology from the University of Western Ontario (1994) and a bachelor’s degree in psychology from the University of Calgary (1992).

She is married to Martin Short (also a professor at UND in motor learning/control), and they have two sons, Stoker (7 years) and Brecken (5 years).

The Robinson Lecture series began in 1991 on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of Professor Elwyn B. Robinson’s publication, “A History of North Dakota.” Professor Robinson, whose career spanned 35 years at UND, was a distinguished member of the History faculty. The Lecture, together with the Library’s compilation of a bibliography of faculty and staff publications, is designed to recognize the scholarly and creative accomplishments of the UND community.

-- Wilbur Stolt, Director of Libraries, Chester Fritz Library, wilburstolt@mail.und.edu, 777-2189

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Essential Studies hosts Capstone development workshops

The Office of Essential Studies (ES) is hosting a series of “Capstone Coffees” to help faculty and departments develop capstone courses to meet the new ES requirement.

Capstone Coffees will be held at the Memorial Union.

- Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 9 a.m., Badlands Room
- Thursday, Feb. 19, at 3:30 p.m., Badlands Room
- Wednesday, Feb. 25, at 3 p.m., Medora Room

At the Capstone Coffees, participants can review the criteria for ES capstones, learn how to get capstones approved (validated), and have questions answered about different ways to design capstone courses. Participants will also have an opportunity to consult with experienced ES course developers.

All are welcome. The coffees are for people who want to know how to get started and what’s needed, as well as for people who have plans already under way, but want help in completing the proposal process.

Advance notice is helpful (for handouts), but not necessary. For more information, contact me.
-- Tom Steen, Director , Office of Essential Studies (VPAA/Provost), thomas_steen@und.nodak.edu, 777-4343

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Annual key meeting is Feb. 18

The campuswide key meeting will be held Wednesday, Feb. 18, in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. The key inventory packets will be ready for pick-up prior to the meeting starting at 8:30 a.m. The informational meeting will start at 9 a.m. All departmental personnel responsible for issuing keys should attend to pick up their packets and receive information on completing the inventory.
-- Larry Zitzow, Chair, Building/Facility Access Administrative Committee, Facilities Management, larryzitzow@mail.und.edu, 777-2591

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UND International Organization presents 47th annual Feast of Nations Feb. 21

The international organization is presenting the 47th annual Feast of Nations Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Alerus Center. The Feast of Nations is one of the biggest culturally entertaining events in the whole North Dakota area.

The Feast of Nations is a multicultural event which features world vignettes, a dinner, intercultural entertainment and international attire. The meal will feature cuisine from around the world, including Arabic, Fattoush, Moroccan Harira, Cuban Arroz Con Pollo, Indian Vegetable Samosas and Italian Tiramisu.

UND students from around the globe will host the event and showcase traditional international song and dance from various countries. Ena Sutton Highland Dancers, Viva Capoeira, and Rockalypso will be performing this year. These and other cultural performances by UND students will complement the international dinner and make it a great event for UND and the whole Grand Forks community.

The Ena Sutton Highland Dancers are a company formed in 1965, who have been delighting audiences of all ages across the prairies for over 30 years. Their goal is to foster appreciation of Scottish heritage through the performance of traditional and non-traditional highland dances while performing on a social level, rather than a competitive one.

Viva Capoeira is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the development of Capoeira in Winnipeg. Capoeira is a Brazilian martial art developed by slaves. These performers bring an energetic, flowing progression with elements of dance, gymnastics and martial arts to the stage.

Rockalypso was established in 1990, and is an exciting Caribbean band with talented and creative stage presence who bring to life the rich rhythms of the Caribbean.

Tickets are on sale now at the Alerus Box Office, the Memorial Union Information Desk, and The International Center. Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$10 for students/children and \$180 for a table for 10.

For more details go to <http://www.feastofnations.und.edu/>

If you are talented and eager to bring a flavor of your culture to the diverse Feast of Nations mix, then we are looking for you.

Student performer auditions are at 6 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13.

We are seeking presenters to create cultural display exhibitions about their countries.

If you have any questions, please contact Oksana Bondarenko oksana.bondarenko@und.edu or Ekaterina Bryleva at ekaterina.bryleva@und.edu.

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College Goal Sunday is Feb. 22; volunteers sought

College Goal Sunday is a one-day event in February where students and their families receive hands-on assistance to complete the free application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). College Goal Sunday is a growing, national event sponsored by Lumina Foundation for Education.

We are seeking volunteers for the event. Your help is needed for registration, general student assistance, tech support, or tax preparation questions.

If you are interested in volunteering, please complete a volunteer form on the College Goal North Dakota Web site by Jan. 30. The site is <http://www.collegegoalnd.org/> and the form is under the volunteers tab (at the top of the page). The site also provides more information on the 11 locations and College Goal Sunday's history.

College Goal Sunday North Dakota will be held Feb. 22 at 11 locations. These include Belcourt, Bismarck, Dickinson, Fargo, Fort Totten, Fort Yates, Grafton, Grand Forks, Minot, New Town, and Williston. Students who participate will be eligible to win prizes and scholarships.

The Grand Forks site is the second floor, Memorial Union, 1 to 3 p.m. Students and families are welcome at any time during the open house; however it is suggested to allow for up to an hour to complete and submit the FAFSA.

-- Robin Holden, Director, Student Financial Aid, robinholden@mail.und.edu, 777-3121

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Spring faculty study seminars announced

Two faculty study seminars will be offered for this spring. The seminars provide a means for faculty with common interests to learn more about a teaching-related topic. Each group meets four times a semester, at times mutually agreed to by participants, to read and discuss a teaching-related book (books provided by the Office of Instructional Development). The participant's only obligation is to read and to show up for discussion.

To sign up, e-mail the facilitator noted below with your contact information (e-mail and phone) and a copy of your spring semester schedule. You will be contacted once an initial meeting date is set. For more information about FSS groups, contact Anne Kelsch at anne_kelsch@und.nodak.edu or 777-4233.

"Discussion As a Way of Teaching: Tools and Techniques for Democratic Classrooms," second edition by Stephen D. Brookfield and Stephen Preskill (Jossey-Bass, 2005).

Brookfield and Preskill have written this second edition of their book for all teachers and leaders who use discussion to help people learn. One book synopsis states, "Brookfield and Preskill clearly show how discussion can enliven classrooms, and they outline practical methods for ensuring that students will come to class prepared to discuss a topic. They also explain how to balance the voices of students and teachers, while still preserving the moral, political, and pedagogic integrity of discussion." This revised edition includes new material related to the use of discussion for online teaching, as part of democratic participation, and theoretical foundations for the use of discussion. So if you're interested in the use of discussion in the university classroom,

this book can provide practical, usable tools to either get you started or enhance your current practice. If you are interested in reading this book as part of a faculty study seminar, contact Sonia Zimmerman at szimmer@medicine.nodak.edu or 777-2200.

"Engaging Ideas: The Professor's Guide to Integrating Writing, Critical Thinking, and Active Learning in the Classroom" by John C. Bean (Jossey-Bass, 1996).

John Bean designed "Engaging Ideas" as a nuts-and-bolts handbook for instructors who want to successfully integrate writing into their courses. Bean explains the fundamental link between critical thinking and writing in the classroom, and provides several strategies on how to address these concerns. He writes, "The goal of these activities is to transform students from passive to active learners, deepening their understanding of subject matter while helping them learn the thinking process of the discipline: how members of the discipline ask questions, conduct inquiries, gather and analyze data and make arguments." This book is a great starting place for faculty interested in practical advice on how to use writing and critical thinking successfully in the classroom. If you are interested in reading this book as part of a faculty study seminar, contact Shane Winterhalter at shanewinterhalter@mail.und.nodak.edu or 777-6381.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4233

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New UND Student Assessment of Teaching forms available

This spring we will use a new (blue) UND Student Assessment of Teaching (USAT) form. Part 3 of the form has been revised to better assess student learning within the Essential Studies/General Education courses. A copy of the form is at: http://www.und.edu/dept/datacol/usat/usatform_new.pdf Please request these new forms from your college dean's office; the old green USAT forms that you have in your department can be recycled.

If you or any member of your department has questions regarding the form, please contact the Office of Institutional Research at 777-4358.

-- Carmen Williams, Director, Institutional Research, carmenwilliams@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-2456

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Schedule an SGID in your classroom

Arrangements for SGIDs (small group instructional diagnosis, a process for soliciting student feedback at midterm) can be made now. SGIDs are done by trained faculty who work as facilitators for the process in colleagues' classrooms. A facilitator will collect information from your students, write it up into a report for you, and provide you with high-quality student input regarding their learning at mid-semester, rather than waiting until semester's end when course evaluations are completed. Furthermore, the interactive nature of the process can motivate students to think more carefully and deeply, so SGID feedback is often more thorough, providing you with a clear understanding of student perceptions. SGIDs are intended to be formative (i.e., for your own benefit as a teacher) rather than summative (for a promotion and tenure file). To schedule an SGID, please contact Jana Hollands at jana_hollands@und.nodak.edu or 777-4998.

-- Anne Kelsch, Director, Office of Instructional Development, anne.kelsch@und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4233

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Urgent! Bogus parking tickets found on campus refer recipients to virus-laden Web site

The University Police Department received a call Jan. 31, pertaining to someone issuing bogus parking tickets in the parking lot directly east of the ramp. The ticket is yellow in color and states the following: "PARKING VIOLATION This vehicle is in violation of standard parking regulations. To view pictures with information about

your parking preferences, go to XXXXX.COM" (URL not used for computer safety reasons).

DO NOT GO TO THIS WEBSITE! IT CONTAINS A VIRUS! If you visit the Web site and click on the link to view pictures of horrible parking, you will download a virus onto your computer.

Should anyone have any information pertaining to this, please contact UND Police at 777-3491.

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State Fleet adjusts rates

The North Dakota State Fleet has announced its rates effective Feb. 1. The downturn in fuel prices has allowed for the reduction on several groups of vehicles per the director of State Fleet services. Motor pool rates follow:

Vehicle type -- UND rate per mile/hour

Sedan, \$0.323

Minivan - seven-passenger, \$0.433

Van, 12- and 15-passenger, \$0.673

Compact 4x4 SUV, \$0.533

Expedition, six-passenger, \$0.573

Suburban, six-passenger, \$0.673

Pickup, extended cab, 4x4; six-foot box, \$0.573

Cargo van, full size, \$0.673

Mini cargo van, \$0.573

-- Mary L. Metcalf, Manager, Transportation, marymetcalf@mail.und.edu, 701-777-4123

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Parking Office to begin issuing warning notices this week for expired tags

Thanks to everyone for renewing your red "A" permits. At this point all applications that we received either by mail or over the counter have been processed and mailed back. If you have not renewed your red permit yet, please do so now. Warning notices will be issued this week for any expired red permits, full enforcement of expired permits is scheduled to begin Monday, Feb. 9.

Service Vehicle Placards can be renewed at the Parking Office this week. There will be no fee to renew at this time and the expiration will be extended until August 30, 2009. Please bring your existing placard to the office for renewal. Enforcement on this will begin Feb. 9 as well.

If you have any problems with your permit in the ramp, see the booth attendant or call the Parking Office at 777-3551.

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Report icy conditions to facilities management

The weather has caused icy conditions on our parking lots, roads, and sidewalks. We will continue to salt and sand to reduce the slipperiness as much as possible. Please report any hazardous conditions to facilities management at 777-2591. There are some things that you can do to help reduce the risk of falling on ice. Here are some helpful hints.

1. Wear boots or overshoes with grip soles. Slick leather or rubber soles on dress shoes are unsafe on ice.
2. Don't walk with your hands in your pockets. This reduces your balance if you slip on the ice.

- 3. Take short to medium steps, or shuffle your feet in very icy areas.
 - 4. Don't carry or swing heavy loads, such as large boxes or cases, which could cause you to lose your balance when walking.
 - 5. When walking, curl your toes under and walk as flatfooted as possible.
 - 6. Don't step on uneven surfaces. Step well over or avoid curbs with ice on them.
 - 7. Place your full attention on walking. Don't allow your attention to be divided by getting your keys out of your pocket, digging in your pocketbook for items, etc., while walking on ice.
- Paul Clark, Assoc Director, Facilities Management, paulclark@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3005

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Chester Fritz Library lists Presidents Day hours

The Chester Fritz Library will observe the following hours of operation during the Presidents Day weekend: Saturday, Feb. 14, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Sunday, Feb. 15, closed; Monday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m. to midnight.

-- Karen Cloud, Administrative Assistant, Chester Fritz Library, karencloud@mail.und.edu, 7-2618

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International Centre closed on Presidents Day

The International Centre will be closed Monday, Feb. 16, in observance of Presidents Day.

-- Tatjana Richards, Office Manager, Office of International Programs, tatjyanarichards@mail.und.edu, 777-6438

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New postal addressing requirements will go in effect soon

The U.S. Postal Service has a new addressing requirement for flat-size (items that are larger than 6.125" in height or 11.5" in length or .25" thick, such as large envelopes, booklets, catalogs) bulk and periodical mail, effective March 29, 2009. The requirement states that the address must be placed on the "top half" of the mail piece. The top half of a catalog or booklet is determined by having the bound edge of the item on the right side as the address is viewed. For large envelopes addressed in a "landscape" orientation, the address should be offset to the right side of the envelope. In the "portrait" orientation, the address would be on the top half. The postage and return address would be put in relation to the address as it is currently. Please call 777-2279 for more information or visit Campus Postal Services Web page regarding bulk mail. The web address is: <http://departments.und.edu/postoffice/html/bulkmail.htm>

-- Darin Lee, supervisor, Campus Postal Services.

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Results of ACT's 2008 alumni outcomes survey available

UND participated in ACT's 2008 Alumni Outcomes Survey. This survey was administered in the spring 2008 to the 2004-2005 baccalaureate graduates. The instrument assesses alumni perceptions of UND's impact on their personal and professional growth and development, as well as general background questions, employment history, and education information. Prior administration of this survey was in spring 2006.

In general, alumni have a very positive opinion of UND. Alumni show high satisfaction in academic programs and report general education courses a valuable component of their education. On the other hand, alumni report their greatest dissatisfaction with their current career is that of salary. Alumni also express dissatisfaction

with the availability of adequate financial aid as well as with faculty availability outside of class time. Below are some findings from the 2008 Alumni Outcomes Survey:

* The five highest degrees of satisfaction are found in the areas of quality of the program in my major/field, class size relative to the type of course, overall quality of instruction, variety of courses offered, and general condition of buildings and grounds.

* UND alumni report greater levels of involvement in professional, civic, athletic, and social activities and organization while attending school than national norms. Levels of involvement in these organizations and activities are also increasing over time.

* 95 percent of alumni rate UND as excellent or good.

* When asked about their first, full-time job after completing their first program at UND, over half of alumni respondents (58 percent) report their first job was highly related to the major of their first program. When comparing this nationally, 48 percent of alumni from public colleges report their first job being highly related to their major.

* Alumni rate the importance of developing and using effective leadership skills higher than previous alumni outcomes results; the mean score increased from 3.55 in 2006 to 3.62 in 2008, while increasing its rank to No. 3 compared to No. 6. National norms have this particular item ranked No. 9 in importance.

* Alumni were asked the extent to which they agreed with 11 statements about UND.

* Respondents indicate high agreement (over 75 percent responding “strongly agree” or “agree”) on three of 11 items: academic success was encouraged and supported at this school (85 percent), overall the school had an intellectually stimulating atmosphere (85 percent), and there was a sense of personal safety/security on the campus (83 percent).

* The highest level of dissatisfaction was under the item I encountered few course scheduling or course availability problems which received rating of “strongly disagree” or “disagree” from 20 percent of respondents as well as the financial aid available to me was adequate for my needs at 18 percent disagreement. The “aid availability” mean score has been decreasing significantly from surveys in 2006 and 2004. The item which had the largest drop in mean score from 2006 was the statement of most faculty were readily available to students outside of class time, which received a mean of 3.82 in 2008, down from 3.98 in 2006 and 4.01 in 2004 (scale: 1=strongly disagree to 5=strongly agree).

* Nine student services were rated for satisfaction. The two items scoring in the high satisfied portion (mean score >= 4.0) were library services (mean=4.33) and health and wellness programs (mean=4.11). These two services also showed an increase in satisfaction mean score from 2006. The remaining seven items fell into the neutral part of the scale (mean score =3.0); in order from highest to lowest mean score are registration procedures (mean=3.82), academic advising (mean=3.74), academic support service (e.g. tutoring, study skills) (mean=3.71), personal counseling services (mean=3.66), orientation/instruction of campus computing (mean=3.63), career planning and placement services (mean=3.40), and financial aid counseling and related services (mean=3.31). Of the seven “neutral” items, the only two which increased in mean score from 2006 to 2008 were personal counseling services and career planning and placement services.

The complete report is available on the UND-IR Web site at
<http://www.und.edu/dept/datacol/reports/subFolder/act2008Alumni/act2008alumni.htm>

If you have questions about the study, or would like further information or detail, please contact either Sue Erickson or me.

-- Carmen Williams, Director, Institutional Research, carmenwilliams@mail.und.nodak.edu, 7-4358

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Death noted of student Timothy Hagan

It is with regret that the University reports that Timothy Hagan of Bismarck, N.D., died Thursday, Jan. 22. He was admitted to UND and planned to attend fall 2009. -- Cara Halgren, associate dean of student life.

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Hamline Square Apartments now leasing

New apartments managed by UND Housing are currently under construction northeast of the Ralph Engelstad Arena and will open Aug. 1. Hamline Square Apartments include 77 spacious apartments with air conditioning, dishwashers, microwaves, laundry hook-ups and underground heated parking. Water and garbage collection will be included in the monthly rent. To be eligible for Hamline Square, the leaseholder needs to be a UND student, 21 years of age or older by Dec. 31, 2009, or eligible for family housing.

Find Hamline Square rental rates, floorplans, and apartment application at

<http://www.housing.und.edu/apartments/hamline.html>

-- Judy Sargent, Director, Residence Services, judysargent@mail.und.edu, 777-4251

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Summer programs, events council awards mini grants

The Summer Programs and Events Council (SPEC) recently awarded \$24,823 in mini-grants to eight individuals to aid in the expansion, redesign, and creation of their summer courses and programs. The Start-Up Mini-Grant Program funding is used to support UND faculty and staff in the development, marketing and start-up costs of summer on-campus programming.

The Summer 2009 awarded projects are:

- UND Movie Making Camp for Youth, English Department, \$2,125, third year funding
Kathy Coudle-King, senior lecturer, English Department
- UND Movie Making Camp for Adults, English Department, \$2,485, second year funding
Kathy Coudle-King, senior lecturer, English Department
- Advanced Lego Robotics Camp, Computer Science Department, \$3,251, second year funding
Tom Stokke, instructor, Computer Science
- UND Summer Institute for School Counselors, Department of Counseling Psychology and Community Services, \$2,500, third year funding
Dorlene Walker, clinical associate professor, Department of Counseling
- Summer Language Processing Camp, Communication Sciences and Disorders, \$1,600, second year funding
Sarah Robinson, clinical professor, Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Summer Foreign Language Day Camps, Language Department, \$5,000, first year funding
Amanda Boyd, assistant professor, languages
- Photography for Educators, Department of Teaching and Learning, \$4,462, first year funding
Lars Helgeson, professor, teaching and learning
- Summer Art Camp for Youth, Art Department, \$3,400, first year funding
Sue Fink, Department of Education, North Dakota Museum of Art

"The Start-Up Mini-Grant Program represents a unique opportunity to encourage program development at UND," said Kerry Kerber, associate dean of continuing education and co-chair of SPEC. "Because the proposals

are from both faculty and staff, the program nurtures creativity from the existing diversity of people and disciplines within the university.”

By aiding in the development of summer programs, SPEC hopes to encourage greater on-campus participation during the summer months at UND. “Summer programming has changed significantly due to the camps, courses, and programs that have been supported by the SPEC mini-grant program. We are supporting educational opportunities for many different age groups and diverse populations,” said Diane Hadden, director of Summer Sessions and co-chair of SPEC. “The faculty and staff commitment to the success of these ventures is phenomenal.”

The Summer Programs and Events Council’s mission is to promote all summer events, programs, and courses to the Greater Grand Forks community and beyond while providing leadership and logistical support for summer programming on the UND campus.

For more information about the Summer Programs and Events Council visit www.summer.und.edu.

-- Brenda Dufault, Summer Programs and Events Coordinator, Summer Programs and Events,
brendadufault@mail.und.edu, 777-0841

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Help defeat breast cancer; join UND research study

Women who would like to be part of new studies at the medical school aimed at determining the most effective means of prevention and early detection of cancer in the breast are invited to contact the school’s Office of Research. The breast is the leading site of cancer development in North Dakota and Minnesota women, said Edward Sauter, associate dean for research and program development. He and his team of clinical researchers are seeking volunteers for several breast cancer prevention studies using herbal/botanical interventions to prevent the disease, and noninvasive approaches to early breast cancer detection.

All studies are free of charge and vary in length, with some requiring as little as one visit and others either a four-or 12-week time commitment. Volunteers who live in, or within traveling distance of, Grand Forks and Fargo are especially invited to participate.

Volunteers who take part in this project can make a difference for women of all ages, Sauter said.

For more information or to register, please contact Wanda DeKrey at the School of Medicine and Health Sciences, 777-4862 or

wdekrey@medicine.nodak.edu .

-- Shelley Pohlman, Assistant to the Director of Communications, Office of Public Affairs,
spohlman@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-4305

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Information sought about faculty, student engagement

Collecting information about faculty and student work with community partners is an important part of continuing UND’s designation as an “engaged campus” by the Carnegie Foundation. UND was selected for the new category in 2006.

To make data collection easier for academic departments, a team from the UND Center for Community Engagement will be contacting departments to assist in gathering information about service learning, public scholarship, and their community partnerships. Team members include two administrative interns working on the project through the President’s Leadership Program, Jane Sykes Wilson, education abroad advisor in the International Center, and Jared Keengwe, assistant professor of teaching and learning. Kevin Kainulainen and Fayme Stringer, Center AmeriCorps*VISTA members, are also on the team.

We appreciate your assistance with collection of this information. We also are happy to provide information and resources about service learning and public scholarship. Faculty who are interested in being on the e-mail lists of the Service Learning Interest Group and Public Scholarship Interest Group and who are not already enrolled are encouraged to let us know.

-- Lana Rakow, Director, Center for Community Engagement, lanarakow@mail.und.edu, 701.777.2287

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Scouts prepare for annual food drive

Scouts, UND students, and other volunteers from the Greater Grand Forks area will collect food to restock the shelves of local food cupboards. Volunteers will distribute doorknob hang-tags door-to-door Thursday, March 26. Residents can participate in this service project by filling bags with food and personal care items. Bags should be set outside Saturday morning, March 28, for volunteers to collect between 9 and 11 a.m.

Our local food cupboards have seen an increase in need. Scouts, UND students, and other volunteers have teamed up to "Do A Good Turn" for our local food cupboards.

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Ray Richards lists winter golf specials

Ray Richards is offering a winter golf special. Buy a punch card for five rounds of golf for \$45 or 10 rounds of golf for \$90. Added bonus: the buyer will receive a free round of golf for buying the 10-round punch card.

Also this year, you may buy a cart seat for each punch card. Five rounds of golf with a cart seat will cost \$70 or 10 rounds of golf with a cart seat for \$140. A free round is included with 10-round purchase.

Winter golf special punch cards may be bought by stopping at the Chester Fritz Auditorium box office or by calling 777-4090. Box office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Payroll deductions are accepted. The deadline to purchase is March 15.

-- Tom Swangler, Asst Director, Chester Fritz Auditorium, tomswangler@mail.und.edu, 777-4094

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Internal job openings listed

The following position vacancies are available only to regular UND staff employees who have successfully completed their six-month probation period, earn annual and sick leave, receive BC/BS health insurance and TIAA-CREF or ND PERS retirement benefits. Current UND faculty, please contact Human Resources for eligibility.

TO APPLY: Please complete UND Application/Control Card form. Send letter of application and resume, referencing position name and number, to: Human Resources, University of North Dakota, Twamley Hall, Room 313, 264 Centennial Drive Stop 8010, Grand Forks, ND 58202-8010. Applications MUST be received by the deadline date.

EXECUTIVE/PROFESSIONAL/ADMINISTRATIVE/ATHLETIC COACHES:

POSITION: Catalog Librarian, Law Library, #09-193

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 2/10/2009

COMPENSATION: \$46,500 plus/year

POSITION: Arts Recruiting and Marketing Coordinator, (20 hours a week) Theatre Arts, #09-189

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 2/5/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 11.54 plus/hour

POSITION: Research Process Engineer, Chemical Engineering, #09-187

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 2/5/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 40,000 plus/year

POSITION: Grants and Finance Officer, Chemical Engineering, #09-186

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 2/5/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 32,000 plus/year

POSITION: Research Scientist/Engineer - Process Development/Optimization, EERC #09-184

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 2/4/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 50,000 plus/year

TECHNICAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL:

POSITION: Account Technician (M-TH, 24 hours/week), School of Engineering & Mines-Surface Engineering Center, #09-195

APPLICATION DEADLINE: (I) 2/9/2009

COMPENSATION: \$ 13.75 plus/hour

OFFICER SUPPORT: No vacancies.

CRAFTS/SERVICE/TRADES: No vacancies.

-- Jan Orvik, Writer/Editor, University Relations, janorvik@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3621

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New Pizza deal at Sbarro in Memorial Union

Check out the new Big Bundle Sbarro Pizza deal in Old Main Marketplace at the Memorial Union Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 8 p.m. Get an extra-large cheese pizza for only \$7.99 and a one-topping, extra-large pizza for only \$8.99. Bundle it with a Coke two-liter, two side salads, and six breadsticks for only \$6 more. If you order by phone and pre-pay with a credit card, get free carside delivery to the Memorial Union parking lot. Call 777-0438 to place your order.

-- Jeff St. Michel, Assistant Director, Dining Services, jeffreystmichel@mail.und.edu, 7-3823

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Two UND students win BOSS Business Plan Competition

Two University of North Dakota students won the seventh annual BOSS Business Plan Competition at the recent Marketplace for Entrepreneurs 2009 in Bismarck.

U.S. Sen. Kent Conrad and North Dakota Agriculture Commissioner Roger Johnson, organizers of Marketplace for Entrepreneurs, presented \$3,000 to Kristine Lesch, Hibbing, Minn., and Joshua Goldade, Grand Forks. The two UND students developed a business plan for SunAir Power, a company that would create wind and solar power generators for use in outdoor advertising, ranching and research applications.

"The BOSS competition encourages a new generation of entrepreneurs," said Conrad and Johnson. "Young people like Kristine and Joshua are the business leaders of tomorrow, and we want them to take an active role in growing North Dakota's economy."

Teams from 24 schools across the Midwest, including Bismarck State College, the University of North Dakota, Minot State University, Dickinson State University and the University of Cincinnati, submitted business plans for the competition.

Marketplace also hosted the fifth annual Marketplace/Northern Plains Invention Contest. Inventors from across North Dakota and surrounding states presented their ideas in hopes of winning thousands of dollars in prizes and the recognition needed to launch their products into production.

To learn more about Marketplace, please visit www.MarketplaceForEntrepreneurs.org.
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